

The House agreed to H. Res. 181, the rule that is providing for consideration of the bill on July 10.

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Late Report—VA and HUD: The Committee on Appropriations received permission to have until midnight Friday, July 11, 1997 to file a report on a bill making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998.

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Late Report—Agriculture: The Committee on Appropriations received permission to have until midnight Monday, July 14, 1997 to file a report on a bill making appropriations for the Departments of Agriculture, Food and Drug Administration and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998.

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Late Report—Foreign Operations: The Committee on Appropriations received permission to have until midnight Monday, July 14, 1997 to file a report on a bill making appropriations for Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and related Programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998.

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Meeting Hour—Monday, July 14: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 3 p.m. on Monday, July 14.

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Meeting Hour—Tuesday, July 15: Agreed that when the House adjourns on Monday, it adjourn to meet at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, July 15, for morning hour debate.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed that the business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday, July 16.

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National Commission on the Cost of Higher Education: Read a letter from the Minority Leader wherein he appointed Dr. Blanche Touhill of Missouri and Dr. Walter Massey of Georgia to the National Commission on the Cost of Higher Education.

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Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

National Endowment for the Arts: Message wherein he transmits his 1996 Annual Report of the National Endowment for the Arts—referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce;

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District of Columbia Budget Request: Message wherein he transmits the Council of the District of Columbia's Fiscal Year 1998 Budget Request Act of 1997—referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered printed (H.Doc. 105–102); and

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North Atlantic Free Trade Agreement: Message wherein he transmits his study on the Operation and Effect of the North American Free Trade Agreement—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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Amendments: Amendment ordered printed pursuant to the rule appears on page H5178.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H5137–38, H5138–39, and H5155–56. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Committee Meetings

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS; BUDGET ALLOCATION

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the Transportation appropriations for fiscal year 1998.

The Committee also approved a revised Section 602(b) budget allocation report for fiscal year 1998.

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development approved for full Committee action the Energy and Water Development appropriations for fiscal year 1998.

INTERNET TAX FREEDOM ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on H.R. 1054, Internet Tax Freedom Act. Testimony was heard from Senator Wyden; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

REVENUE RECONCILIATION

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 2014, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to subsections (b)(2) and (d) of section 105 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1998, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of July 14 through 19, 1997

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate will consider S. 1005, Department of Defense Appropriations, 1998. Senate will

also resume consideration of the nomination of Joel I. Klein, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, with a cloture vote to occur thereon at 6 p.m.

During the balance of the week, Senate expects to complete consideration of S. 1005, and consider S. 1004, Energy and Water Appropriations, 1998, S. 955, Foreign Operations Appropriations, 1998, conference reports, when available, and any cleared executive and legislative business.

(Senate will recess on Tuesday, July 15, 1997 from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for respective party conferences.)

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: July 16, to hold hearings to examine the importance of alternative fuels in addressing future national security concerns, focusing on agriculture's vulnerability to energy price volatility, the contribution of home-grown renewable alternative fuels, and the role of new technologies in making agriculture more energy efficient while increasing yields, 9 a.m., SR-332.

July 17, Subcommittee on Forestry, Conservation, and Rural Revitalization, to hold hearings on the implementation of the Northern Forestry Stewardship Act, 2:30 p.m., SR-332.

Committee on Appropriations: July 15, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies, business meeting, to mark up an original bill making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, 9 a.m., SD-138.

July 15, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, business meeting, to mark up an original bill making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, 9:15 a.m., SD-192.

July 15 and 17, Full Committee, Tuesday, business meeting, to mark up proposed legislation making appropriations for fiscal year 1998 for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies, proposed legislation making appropriations for fiscal year 1998 for the Department of the Treasury, U.S. Postal Service, and General Government, and proposed legislation making appropriations for fiscal year 1998 for the Legislative Branch, 9:30 a.m.; Thursday, business meeting, to markup proposed legislation making appropriations for fiscal year 1998 for the Department of Agriculture, rural development, and related agencies, proposed legislation making appropriations for fiscal year 1998 for military construction programs, proposed legislation making appropriations for fiscal year 1998 for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development and related agencies, and proposed legislation making appropriations for fiscal year 1998 for the De-

partment of Transportation and related agencies, 2 p.m., SD-106.

July 15, Subcommittee on Transportation, business meeting, to mark up an original bill making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, 2 p.m., SD-116.

July 16, Subcommittee on District of Columbia, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for the District of Columbia Department of Corrections and the Metropolitan Police Department, 10 a.m., SD-192.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: July 15, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Regulatory Relief and Subcommittee on Housing Opportunity and Community Development, to resume hearings on problems surrounding the mortgage origination process and the implementation of the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act and the Truth in Lending Act, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: July 17, to hold hearings on S. 625, to provide for competition between forms of motor vehicle insurance, to permit an owner of a motor vehicle to choose the most appropriate form of insurance for that person, to guarantee affordable premiums, and to provide for more adequate and timely compensation for accident victims, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: July 17, to hold hearings on the nominations of Patrick A. Shea, of Utah, to be Director of the Bureau of Land Management, and Robert G. Stanton, of Virginia, to be Director of the National Park Service, both of the Department of the Interior, Kneeland C. Youngblood, of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the United States Enrichment Corporation, and Kathleen M. Karpan, of Wyoming, to be Director of the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Department of the Interior, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

July 17, Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation, to hold hearings on S. 895, to designate the reservoir created by Trinity Dam in the Central Valley project, California, as "Trinity Lake", S. 931, to designate the Marjory Stoneman Douglas Wilderness and the Ernest F. Coe Visitor Center, and S. 871, to establish the Oklahoma City National Memorial as a unit of the National Park System and to designate the Oklahoma City Memorial Trust, 2 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: July 16, to hold hearings on the nomination of Jamie Rappaport Clark, of Maryland, to be Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

July 17, Full Committee, to resume hearings to examine issues relating to climate change, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: July 15, to hold hearings on the nominations of A. Peter Burleigh, of California, to be the Deputy Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador, David J. Scheffer, of Virginia, to be Ambassador at Large for War Crimes Issues, Richard Sklar,

of California, to be Representative of the United States to the United Nations for U.N. Management and Reform, with the Rank of Ambassador, and Linda Jane Zack Tarr Whelan, of Virginia, for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service as United States Representative to the Commission on the Status of Women of the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, 10 a.m., SD-419.

July 15, Full Committee, to hold hearings on the nominations of James Franklin Collins, of Illinois, to be Ambassador to the Russian Federation, Marc Grossman, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of State for European and Canadian Affairs, John Christian Kornblum, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany, and Stephen R. Sestanovich, of the District of Columbia, as Ambassador at Large and Special Adviser to the Secretary of State for the New Independent States, 2 p.m., SD-419.

July 15, Full Committee, to hold hearings on the nomination of Gordon D. Giffin, of Georgia, to be Ambassador to Canada, 4 p.m., SD-419.

July 16, Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Peace Corps, Narcotics and Terrorism, to hold hearings to examine the threat of drug cartels and narco-violence in the United States, 2 p.m., SD-419.

July 17, Full Committee, business meeting, to mark up S. Res. 98, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the conditions for the United States becoming a signatory to any international agreement on greenhouse gas emissions under the United National Framework Convention on Climate Change, a proposed concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that the OAS-CAIV Mission in Nicaragua is to be congratulated for its defense of human rights, promotion of peaceful conflict resolution, and contribution to the development of freedom and democracy in Nicaragua, and to consider the Agreement with Hong Kong for the Surrender of Fugitive Offenders (Treaty Doc. 105-3), and pending nominations, 10 a.m., SD-419.

July 17, Subcommittee on European Affairs, to hold hearings to examine the status of Bosnia non-compliance with the Dayton Accords, 2 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: July 15, 16 and 17, to resume hearings to examine certain matters with regard to the committee's special investigation on campaign financing, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on the Judiciary: July 15, Subcommittee on Constitution, Federalism, and Property Rights, to hold hearings on assessing the impact of judicial activism, 10 a.m., SD-226.

July 15, Full Committee, business meeting, to resume markup of S. 10, to reduce violent juvenile crime, promote accountability by juvenile criminals, and punish and deter violent gang crime, 2 p.m., SD-226.

July 16, Full Committee, to hold hearings to review the Global Tobacco settlement, 10 a.m., SD-226.

July 16, Subcommittee on Antitrust, Business Rights, and Competition, to hold hearings on S. 539, to exempt agreements relating to voluntary guidelines governing telecast material from the applicability of the antitrust laws, 2 p.m., SD-226.

July 17, Full Committee, business meeting, to resume markup of S. 10, to reduce violent juvenile crime, promote accountability by juvenile criminals, and punish and deter violent gang crime, 10 a.m., SD-226.

July 17, Subcommittee on Immigration, to hold hearings on proposals to extend the Visa Waiver Pilot Program, including S. 290, to establish a visa waiver pilot program for nationals of Korea who are traveling in tour groups to the United States, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: July 17, to hold hearings to examine the quality of child care, 2 p.m., SD-430.

Committee on Rules and Administration: July 16, to resume a briefing on the status of the investigation into the contested U.S. Senate election held in Louisiana in November 1996, 2:30 p.m., SR-301.

House Chamber

Monday, No legislative business.

Tuesday, Consideration of measures from the Private Calendar;

Consideration of three Suspensions:

1. H.R. 1818, Juvenile Crime Control and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1997;

2. H.R. 765, Shackleford Banks Wild Horses Protection Act;

3. H.R. 2035, Authorize the transfer of naval vessels to certain foreign countries; and

Consideration of H.R. 2158, VA/HUD Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 1998 (subject to a rule).

Wednesday and Thursday, Consideration of H.R. , Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 1998;

Consideration of H.R. , Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs Appropriations for Fiscal Year 1998 (subject to a rule); and

Consideration of H.R. 1853, Carl D. Perkins Vocational-Technical Education Act Amendments of 1997 (subject to a rule).

Friday, No Legislative Business.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, July 15, hearing on Review of Wildfire Management in the United States, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

July 16, Subcommittee on Forestry, Resource Conservation, and Research, hearing on reauthorization proposals in agricultural research, 10:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

July 17, full Committee, hearing to review the USDA's Civil Rights Action Team Report, 2 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, July 16, Subcommittee on the District of Columbia, on Fiscal Year 1998 D.C. Budget, 1 p.m., H-144 Capitol.

July 17, Subcommittee on the District of Columbia, on Congressional and Public Witnesses, 11 a.m., H-144 Capitol.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, July 16, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Securities and Government Sponsored Enterprises and the Subcommittee on Government Management, Information and Technology of the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, joint oversight hearing on Government Sponsored Enterprises, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Commerce, July 15, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, on the Economic and Environmental Impact of the Proposed International Global Climate Change Agreement, 1 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

July 17, Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials, hearing on H.R. 10, Financial Services Competitiveness Act of 1997, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, July 15, Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education, Training and Life-Long Learning, hearing on the Education of the Deaf Act and Title V of the Higher Education Act, 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

July 16, Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth and Families, to continue hearings on the Authorization of the Older Americans Act, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

July 16, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Ergonomics: A Question of Feasibility, 10:30 a.m., 2261 Rayburn.

July 17, Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education, Training and Life-Long Learning, to continue hearings on H.R. 6, Higher Education Act of 1997, 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, July 17, Subcommittee on National Security, International Affairs, and Criminal Justice, to continue hearings on National Drug Control Policy: Drug Interdiction Efforts in Florida and the Caribbean, 1 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, July 15, Subcommittee on Africa and the Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights, joint hearing on the Impact of Radio on African Democracy, 1 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

July 16, full Committee, hearing on the Democratic Republic of Congo: Problems and Prospects, 10:15 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

July 16, Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, hearing on Familiar Ground: The Breakdown in Democracy in Cambodia and Implications for U.S. Foreign Policy, 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

July 16, Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, hearing on the Anti-Drug Effort in the Americas: A Mid-Term Report, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

July 17, full committee, hearing on Inspector General's Oversight of the Department of State and Agency for International Development, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, July 14, Subcommittee on the Constitution, hearing on Protecting Religious Freedom after *Boerne v. Flores*, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 15, Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1109, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Technical Corrections Act of 1994 to eliminate the special transition rule for issuance of a certificate of citizenship for certain children born outside the United States; H.R. 1348, Expanded

War Crimes Act of 1997; and H.R. 2027, to provide for the revision of the requirements for a Canadian border boat landing permit pursuant to section 235 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, and to require the Attorney General to report to the Congress on the impact of such revision; to consider a motion to request a report on a private immigration bill; followed by an oversight hearing on the Institutional Hearing Program, 9:30 a.m., 2226 Rayburn.

July 17, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on H.R. 1054, Internet Tax Freedom Act, 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

July 17, Subcommittee on the Constitution, oversight hearing on the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 2 p.m., B-352 Rayburn.

July 17, Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property, oversight hearing on Fairness in Music Licensing, 9 a.m., 2226 Rayburn.

Committee on National Security, July 16, Subcommittee on Military Research and Development, hearing on threats posed by electromagnetic pulse to U.S. military systems and civilian infrastructure, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

July 17, full Committee, hearing on NATO expansion, 9:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, July 15, oversight hearing on the Administration's Proposal regarding the American Heritage Rivers Initiative, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

July 17, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 700, to remove the restriction on the distribution of certain revenues from the Mineral Springs parcel to certain members of the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians; H.R. 799, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to make a minor adjustment in the exterior boundary of the Hells Canyon Wilderness in the States of Oregon and Idaho to exclude an established Forest Service road inadvertently included in the wilderness; H.R. 838, to require adoption of a management plan for the Hells Canyon National Recreation Area that allows appropriate use of motorized and nonmotorized river craft in the recreation area; H.R. 948, Burt Lake Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians Act; H.R. 976, Mississippi Sioux Tribes Judgment Fund Distribution Act of 1997; H.R. 1460, to allow for election of the Delegate from Guam by other than separate ballot; H.R. 1604, to provide for the division, use, and distribution of judgment funds of the Ottawa and Chippewa Indians of Michigan pursuant to dockets numbered 18-E, 58, 364, and 18-R before the Indian Claims Commission; H.R. 1663, to clarify the intent of the Congress in Public Law 93-632 to require the Secretary of Agriculture to continue to provide for the maintenance of 18 concrete dams and weirs that were located in the Emigrant Wilderness at the time the wilderness area was designated as wilderness in that Public Law; and H.R. 1944, Warner Canyon Ski Hill Land Exchange Act of 1997, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

July 17, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, oversight hearing to review the final outcome of the Tenth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on International Trade in

Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES), 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

July 17, Subcommittee on Water and Power, oversight hearing on Government Performance and Results Act status—Bureau of Reclamation, USGS, Water Resources and the Power Marketing Administration, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, July 14, H.R. 2158, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, 6 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

July 15, to consider a measure making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, 4 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, July 15, Subcommittee on Technology, hearing on Meeting the Needs of the Physically Challenged Through Federal Technology Transfer, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

July 16, full Committee, hearing on Science, Math, Engineering and Technology Education, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, July 15, Subcommittee on Tax, Finance, and Exports, hearing on Does Ex-Im Help Small Business Exporters? 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

July 16, full Committee, hearing on credit subsidy rates for the Section 7(a) general business loan program and the Section 504 Certified Development Company program, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, July 16, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transpor-

tation, to mark up the Coast Guard Authorization Act of 1997, 10:30 a.m., 2253 Rayburn.

July 17, Subcommittee on Surface Transportation, hearing on Road Rage: Causes and Dangers of Aggressive Driving, 9:30 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, July 16, Subcommittee on Benefits, hearing on pending proposals in the areas of education, training and employment, 9:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

July 17, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, to continue hearings on sexual harassment issues involving senior career managers within the Department of Veterans Affairs and H.R. 1703, the Department of Veterans Affairs Employment Discrimination Prevention Act, 9:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, July 15, Subcommittee on Trade, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 2133, to authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment—most-favored-nation treatment—to the products of Mongolia; and H.R. 2132, to extend nondiscriminatory treatment—most-favored-nation treatment—to the products of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

July 17, full Committee, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 2133, to authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment—most-favored-nation treatment—to the products of Mongolia; and H.R. 2132, to extend nondiscriminatory treatment—most-favored-nation treatment—to the products of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, 9:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

July 17, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on the Inspector General Audit of Health Care Financing Administration's Financial Statements, 11 a.m., 1100 Longworth.